Pre-emptive purchase of properties by Government

@991. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have since acquired 49 properties in exercise of its power for pre-emptive purchase of properties;

(b) If so, whether similar asquisitions were made in the past also; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and how such of these acquired properties were put to use by Government so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) The provisions relating to pre-emptive purchase of immovable properties by Central Government in certain cases of transfer have been promulgated in Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras with effect from 1-10-1986. In exercise of this power till 20-2-1987, 85 properties have been ordered to be purchased.

(c) A statement giving the details is being laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix CXLI, Annexure on 38] The Government have already sold six properties by public auction and it is intended to sell other properties taken over under these provisions also by public auction.

Pre-emptive purchase of Properties

@@992. SHRI DEBENDRA NATH BARMAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the manner in which Government are using properties acquired by it in exercise of its power of pre-emptive purchase of properties exceeding apparent consideration of rupees 10 lakhs;

(b) how many such properties have since been acquired and where; and

(c) how many more such properties are likely to be acquired in the near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The Government intends to sell by public auction the properties taken over under the provisions of the Income-tax Act, 1961 relating to pre-emptive purchase of immovable properties by the Central Government in certain cases of transfer.

(b) A statement of properties ordered to be purchased till 20-2-1987 is being laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix CXLI, Annexu No. 38]

(c) It is not possible to give such an estimate as it will depend upon facts and circumstances of each case which may come up for consideration.

~~To be answered on March 5, 1987~~

Zircon Oxide Plant at Kanyakumari

@@@993. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a survey was conducted in 1986 in the Kanyakumari district of Tamil Nadu to establish a Zircon Oxide plant; and

(b) what is the present stage of the proposal to establish a Zircon Oxide plant?

@Previously Unstarred Question 362 transferred from the 27th February, 1987.

@@Previously Unstarred Question 363 transferred from the 27th February, 1987.

@@@Previously Unstarred Question 486, transferred from the 27th February, 1987.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENTS, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Various locations in the country including Kanyakumari District are under consideration for setting up of a Zirconium plant.

Industrial production index

£994. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that 1970 index of industrial production does not include adequately the figures of industries like petro;chemicals, electronics etc. and is thus faulty; and

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking to rectify the lacunae?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The index of industrial production has since been revised to base 1980-81 for which weighting diagram has been prepared giving adequate coverage to petrochemicals and electronics industry groups. Statements, I and II furnish lists of items covered under the petrochemicals group and the electronics group, in the revised and old series.

Statement - I

List of Petro-chemical items for the old (base 1970) and revised (base 1980-81) series with actual weight in general index

Sl. No.	Name of item	Base 1970 (old series)	Base 1980-81 (revised series)
1	D.M.T.	..	0.7945
2	Linear alkyl benzene	..	0.5734
3	Thylene	..	0.3361
4	Etylene	..	0.3184
5	Ethylene glycol	..	0.3018
6	Styrene monomer	..	0.2404
7	Ethylene oxide	..	0.2336
8	Benzene	0.2270	0.9703
9	Butyle alochol	..	0.1290
10	Polyethylene L.D.	0.2490	3.0955
11	Polyethylene H.D.	0.1940	0.7351
12	P.V.C. Resins	1.2100	0.8795
13	Polypropylene	..	0.4816
14	P.F. moulding powder	..	0.1711
15	U.F. moulding powder	0.4000	0.0950

£Previously unstarred Question 853, transferred from the 2nd March, 1987.